

Standard Operating Procedure for the Determination of Dissolved O₂ Correction Factors

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1.0 DEFINITIONS

H ₂ O Temperature (°C)	=	T_w
Air Temperature (°F)	=	T_a
Atmospheric Pressure (mbar)	=	P_o
Corrected Pressure (mbar)	=	$P_{c(mbar)}$
Corrected Pressure (mm Hg)	=	$P_{c(mm\ Hg)}$
Correction Factor (°F)	=	C
Theoretical O ₂ Saturation (mg/L)	=	S_T
Adjusted Theoretical Saturation (mg/L)	=	O_T
Measured Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	=	O_M
Actual Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	=	O_A

2.0 DETERMINE AIR TEMPERATURE CORRECTION FACTOR

- 2.1 Use the following equation, which was calculated with data from Standard Methods, to determine the correction factor for the ambient air temperature (or laboratory temperature for the saturated standard):

$$C = -0.0434 T_a + 23.171$$

3.0 CORRECTED PRESSURE

- 3.1 Subtract the correction factor determined in the previous step, from the observed pressure to determine the corrected pressure, given as:

$$P_c (mbar) = P_o - C$$

- 3.2 Use this result and convert the units of pressure with the following expression:

$$P_c (mm\ Hg) = 0.750062 P_c (mbar)$$

4.0 THEORETICAL O₂ SATURATION

- 4.1 Determine the theoretical O₂ saturation at T_w and 760 mm Hg with the following equation, which was calculated using temperature data from Standard Methods:

$$S_T = 0.0049 T_w = -0.3661 T_w + 14.534$$

4.2 Adjust this result using the corrected pressure in mm Hg, P_c (mm Hg):

$$O_T = \frac{S_T \times P_c \text{ (mm Hg)}}{760}$$

5.0 ACTUAL DISSOLVED O₂ CONCENTRATION

5.1 Determine the actual dissolved O₂ concentration:

$$O_A = \frac{(60 O_M)}{(V_{\text{bottle}} - 0.8)}$$

6.0 STATISTICS

6.1 The relative percent deviation is given as:

$$RPD = \frac{|O_T - O_A|}{\left(\frac{O_T + O_A}{2}\right)} \times 100$$

6.2 while:

$$\% \text{Saturation} = \left(\frac{O_A}{O_T}\right) \times 100$$